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COURT ITEMS.

Some of the Cases Recently Begun And Some Facts About the Coming Term.

Among the new cases recently filed in the Court of Common Pleas are the following:

As administrator of the estate of Chas. B. Fulton, Walker Fulton brings a suit against the B. & O. Railroad for \$2,000 damages. It will be remembered by our readers that young Fulton was killed at Glencoe in July, 1889, while driving across the railroad. It is claimed by the plaintiff that no signals of the approach of the train were given. A like suit was instituted soon after the accident, but was carried to the U. S. Circuit Court by the defendant, and after trying in that court without action was dismissed.

To recover on a promissory note for \$500 with interest from December 22, 1889 at 8 per cent. per annum, Jas. McMillan has begun action against John C. Kintner.

Likewise W. J. Berry and John Davis seek to recover \$1500 due on a promissory note given by H. T. Day and others to John Davis, and by him assigned to Berry and Davis.

Samuel J. Gillespie alleges that he is the owner of a farm on Captina Creek, and that Alex. Thornburn, the defendant, in a suit begun by Gillespie, maintained a false title, and that he has a right of way in order to obstruct the natural flow of the water in the creek, and that these obstructions to the flow of the creek have turned the water on the plaintiff's land, and overflowed and destroyed several acres of damage of the plaintiff in the sum of \$1000, for which he prays judgment.

Mary Wilson brings suit against the County Commissioners for cutting down the street in the Fourth ward of Bellaire in building the Rock Hill pike, by which the road in front of her property was lowered from five to ten feet. She claims damages in the sum of \$1500.

On the docket of the term of court beginning next Monday, there are 214 cases, divided according to the argument of the docket as follows: Civil cases 98, damage 16, divorce 17, partition 6, attachment 8, appeal from lower courts 14, slander 1, cognovit 2, assault 4, bastardy 8, injunction 14, error 1, construction of will 1, liquor 4, murder 1, larceny 3, selling adulterated food 1, rape 1, robbery 1, burglary 1, burglary and larceny 1, cruelty to animals 1, perjury 1, cutting with intent to wound 1, embezzlement 1. Among the civil cases there is an unusual amount of proceedings in foreclosure.

Harper's for February. Harper's Magazine for February is unusually attractive, containing, as it does, a large instalment of Du Maurier's "Trilby" with fifteen inimitable illustrations by the author. "The Man That Draws the Handcart," by Edward Eggleston; a most delightful farce, by Howells; a sketch of Lord Byron and the Greek patriots; "In the Sierra Madre with the Pioneers," by Frederic Remington with his own drawings. What may be done with "A Bar of Iron," is shown by K. I. Bowker. The third "Vignette of Manhattan" is as striking as the others, while there are charming stories by Miss Woolson, Flavel Scott Mines and Van Bibber reappears in Richard Harding Davis' "Anonymous Letter." "In Tenere" is the title of a parable by Howard Pyle. Thomas Nelson Page has his usual pleasant sketch, and the Drawer discusses the "Letters of James Russell Lowell."

Visitors at the Fair. The report of the registry clerk of the Ohio building at the World's Fair shows that 173,000 Ohio people registered. More than 2500 post-offices were represented. Cleveland furnished the largest number of visitors from any one city. The towns in this county are credited with visitors as follows: Bellaire, 331; Barnesville, 250; Martin's Ferry, 200; St. Clairsville, 198; Bridgeport, 176. It is thus seen that according to population St. Clairsville furnished by far a larger proportion of visitors to the show than any other town in the county. It is not probable that nearly all Ohio people registered, so that the figures given are in every instance lower than the actual attendance. It is certain that a large sum of money was spent by the people of this county in attending the show.

Mrs. Justice. Mrs. Harriet C. Justice, whose illness was mentioned last week, died in Bellaire on Wednesday afternoon, from inflammation of the bowels. The funeral took place from her late residence in Barnesville on Friday. She was a member of the Disciples' church. She was in her 58th year, and leaves three children—two sons and a daughter. Deceased was well known in Barnesville for her many good qualities—always extending a helping hand and sympathy to her neighbors in time of sickness and bereavement. The largely attended funeral attested the high esteem in which she was held.

Mrs. Fulton. Mrs. Charles Fulton, of near Businessburg, died on Saturday evening, after a protracted illness. Deceased was about 70 years of age. Mrs. Fulton was the mother of Rev. Dr. James Fulton, a well known United Presbyterian minister, who was for many years stationed at Allegheny, but who has had charge of a college in the South the past two years. Several other grown children and a husband survive her. Funeral Monday at 11:30, interment at Belmont cemetery.

A Valuable Horse. J. C. Hoge, of Mt. Pleasant, reports the death of the stallion Richwine, which he purchased to take the place of Kentucky Bird. Richwine was got by Young Jim out of Miss Patchen, (dam of Miss Egbert 2293), by Mambrino Patchen; second dam Jennie by Delmona. Last season Richwine showed the ability to step a mile in 2:25, but as he was taken sick early in September he had to be turned out.

Horse Thief Captured.

Harry Lockwood, the man who on Saturday, the 29th, stole a horse from Saml Campbell, the liverman here, was captured at his home in Bellaire, Tuesday. He was brought up Wednesday by Marshal Richardson, given a hearing before Mayor Kennon, and recognized in the sum of \$300. The young man's father gave bond for him and he was released. He insists that when the officers saw him on his way to bring back Mr. Campbell's horse, he had repented and was on his way to bring back Mr. Campbell's horse. The other horse which he had stolen, belonged to McKaig Bros. & Blaney, of Claysville, where Lockwood represented that he was a collector for Baumer, of Wheeling, Lockwood, it is said, has once or twice before been in trouble from hiring and driving away horses.

St. Clairsville Man Honored.

On Monday Henry E. Alexander was remembered and honored by the Administration at Washington, being appointed to the desirable place of inspector under the immigration bureau. Secretary Carlisle made the appointment. Mr. Alexander's headquarters will be at Cincinnati. In his application for the place he was endorsed by prominent Democrats including Congressman Pearson and Senator Brice. Among the Democrats of this county the appointment is regarded with unusual favor. The duties of the office consist chiefly in looking after violations of the alien contract labor law.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage permits were issued by the Probate Judge during the week ending Tuesday: Warren P. Davis and Ida B. Wilson. Hugh Litten and Odie Sultz. Joseph Ballentine and Belle Kelley. Mike Hregy and Anna Bulorsko. Orion G. Frazier and Rebecca E. Broomhall.

Geo. H. Reffer and Ida Warnock. Frank Peabody and Mary Lockwood. Allen T. Eulow and Bertha E. Altmyer. Wm. H. Marty and Emily Dean. John E. Kerri and Sarah A. Garlick.

Not So Bad.

The well recently drilled in front of the Court-house and so universally condemned as being a vile hole smelling of gasoline, is not so bad after all. The water is used right along in the Court-house, and by thirsty passers by. The only taste which at first troubled the delicate palate was probably due to the oil necessarily used in connecting the joints of piping.

Dr. Jeffrey.

Dr. H. R. Jeffrey, a graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, has located here for the practice of his profession. Dr. Jeffrey is a young man of education and skill, and will no doubt be kindly received by our people. His office is in the King property east of the school-house.

Special Sale.

All Milliner goods at the St. Clairsville Millinery will be offered at a great reduction until March 31. This will be in order to make room for a large spring stock. Other notions at prices to suit the times. Call and examine goods and note prices.

Dr. Webb, at the Methodist church, will preach Sunday from the following text, found in Exodus xxi, 29: "But if the ox were wont to push with his horn in time past, and it hath been testified to his owner, and he hath not kept him in, but that he hath killed a man or a woman; the ox shall be stoned and his owner also shall be put to death."

The lower branch of the Legislature has acted favorably on the biennial sessions proposition, and it is not probable that the Senate will take any other action in view of the strong feeling on the subject among the people. It is now proposed to adjourn the first Monday in May.

Mayor Kennon had the three Bealls before him Monday on complaint of Charlie Netzel. The men got into a row down the Northern, and Netzel was somewhat pummed up. The men were assessed \$5 each. Two of them paid up, but Elias went to jail.

Having finished "In Memoriam," the Monday Night Club will take up at its next meeting "The Idylls of the King." Such good work has been done with Tenyson that the Club thinks it better to go on with the poet, rather than change just now to another author.

Wheat has never presented a better appearance at this time of year than it does at this season. If the next two months are as favorable to its growth as has been the preceding, the crop will in all probability be very heavy in this section.

NINE or ten couples enjoyed a dance at the Clarendon, Tuesday night. Prof. George Hughes furnished the music. Light refreshments were served about 11, and the dancing went on for an hour or two afterward.

A REWARD of \$500 has been offered by the Commissioners of Morgan county to the K. of P. lodge for the arrest of the thieves who assaulted and robbed Lemuel Melick, near Deavertown, some time ago.

A MERRY lead of young folks, friends and acquaintances of the family of L. P. Hoffer, drove over from Wagon Monday night, and had a midnight lunch here before driving home.

FIFTEEN keepers of disorderly houses in Steubenville were pulled in the other day as a result of the crusade against such resorts inaugurated by the Reform Association.

MASTER JAMES MELLOR underwent a delicate surgical operation at the Flushing sanitarium last week. He stood it well, and is rapidly recovering.

The Noble county grand jury returned but two indictments. It required three days to do this. However, it may be said they ignored four bills.

ALL SORTS.

A Melange of Items Gathered From All Sources and Dished Up Together.

A lady got on the B. & O. train at Sumersfield, and after the train had gone half a mile she discovered that she had forgotten her satchel containing her pocket book, and had left it in the station at Sumersfield. The conductor stopped the train, backed to the station and found her satchel where she had left it. Mightily accommodating conductor, that.

PARSON, LEACH & CO., the Chicago firm that bought the \$80,000 worth of county bonds at \$400 premium and accrued interest, failed to come to time and the bonds were awarded the First National Bank, of Barnesville, at their bid of \$35 premium and accrued interest. Parson, Leach & Co.'s part in the affair at least seems strange.

THE Lincoln Club banquet, held yearly by the Ohio Republican League at Columbus, comes off this year on February 13. The price of tickets has been reduced to \$3.50. Governor McKinley, General Horace Porter, General Agassiz, Major Hanson, General Gibson and Bob Nevins will be among the speakers.

SEEING the name of Lawyer Ayers in THE CHRONICLE reminds the editor of THE GUERREY Times that he taught Mr. Ayers the alphabet during the war, in a Noble county school, and the editor says, "He mastered the letter 'O' at about the middle of the term, and after that 'caught on' rapidly."

MRS. MERRITT returned from Black River, N. Y., Wednesday, having purchased the outfit of a printing establishment and a defunct paper at that place. The outfit is good, and a paper, which will be known as THE Black River Enterprise, will be published in a few weeks.

THE St. Clairsville Presbytery of the Presbyterian church held a special session in Bellaire on Tuesday to dissolve the pastoral relations of Rev. Barr with the Bellaire congregation. He was dismissed to the Parkersburg Presbytery, he having accepted a call to the church at Fairmont.

JOHN HUTCHINSON, a former marshal of Caldwell, recently struck a rich mine at Cripple Creek, Colo., which he immediately sold for the enormous sum of \$500,000. It is stated that the ore taken therefrom is estimated to be worth \$1000 to \$10,000 per ton.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Carrollton Republican, defending the creamery company business, says: "But I want to say that it takes men of experience and good business capacity to get up the company and operate a creamery successfully."

WHEELING Island people have organized a company subscribed stock to buy and equip a steam ferry boat, and applied for a charter. They object to paying a cent a time for crossing the bridges. The bridge people do not seem to be disturbed.

Geo. W. HUGHES, for some years past a compositor in THE CHRONICLE office, and Miss Minnie Steed, of this place, were united in marriage on Monday evening. Their friends will wish them a prosperous and happy married life.

EDGAR AND RACHEL BERRY, two of our good friends in the Colerain neighborhood, sent in a donation of \$15 to the relief fund, which was accompanied by other donations from that vicinity.—Martin's Ferry item.

The rooms in the Kintner building, now occupied by T. C. Ayers, Esq., as a law office, has been rented by Jas. D. Crossland. Mr. Crossland will move his drug store into these quarters April 1st.

RUSKIN once said that this country had no ruins, and therefore not interesting. If Ruskin is not too old he can come over now and see all the ruins he wants to—thanks to the Democracy.

THE Wheeling and Lake Erie increased her earnings last year \$85,000. The Panhandle's earnings decreased \$13,087.50 for December, 1893, as compared with December, 1892.

C. E. VERGES, of Lowell, and Dr. Goodno, of Belpre, shot at 100 base rocks each at Marietta last week for \$25. Verges won, scoring 78 to his opponent's 73.

THE East Liverpool School Board has ordered fire extinguishers for the several departments of the public school. That is a very commendable thing to do.

A BILL, which ought to become a law, has been introduced in the Ohio Legislature prohibiting the shooting of quail until November 10th, 1897.

It is said that the indications for a big peach crop this year are good. The indications for a big peach crop always are good at this time of year.

It is related that an old soak over at Woodsfield yelled fire when he happened to look into the mirror and saw his own red face.

THE Whetstone says that W. S. Hobbs will accept the nomination for Mayor of Barnesville, if it is brought to him in a basket.

THE Harrison Administration paid off \$250,000,000 of the public debt. Will the present Administration increase it that much?

SOME ice was cut and put up, Monday, by our ice men. From three to four inches was the greatest thickness.

WM. WILLIAMS, last week, bought the farm of J. F. Baldwin, just south of Loydsville.

The Monroe county Douglas-Fletcher libel suit will be carried to the Circuit Court.

It is said that Cleveland people will establish a large shoe factory at Caldwell.

Wheeled Vehicles.

Roads are much abused by the use of our wheeled vehicles. In France a hay wagon has tires six inches in width, and the front axle is just enough shorter than the back one to bring the inner edge of the tires of the hind wheels outside the track made by the front wheels. Thus about ten inches of the roadway on each side of the wagon, or more than a foot and a half in all, are rolled down smoother and harder than before by the passing of a loaded wagon which, in this country, would cut into and injure any highway surface more or less. The one practice is preservation, economy, common sense. The other is misuse, destruction, and folly. It is high time for the General Assembly to take effective measures to insure all new and good roads built in Ohio against the gross abuse now tolerated.

Successful Preaching.

The Springfield (Ga.) Gazette of January 22d, says: Central M. E. church had another double service last night. Dr. Williams (of Warnock, O.) preaching in the auditorium and Rev. C. W. Barnes in the lecture room. Both rooms were filled, and it is estimated that 1,000 persons attended the two meetings. There were eleven additions in the services of yesterday, making fifty since the meeting commenced. The meetings will be continued each afternoon and evening of this week except Saturday. To-morrow, Tuesday, has been designated as a day of prayer for the poor of the Holy Spirit, and in the afternoon there will be a sermon by Dr. Williams. The doctor will preach each evening.

Hicks For February.

Hicks predicts cloudiness, rain, sleet and snow up to the 11th, with a sweeping cold wave between the 5th and 7th. Another cold wave, with blizzards, is due between the 11th and 14th. We may expect good weather from the 14th to the 30th, when very cold weather is due. The month will end with severe and stormy weather. Hicks has been for months predicting bad weather for February and March, because of some unusual combination of the planets. He says that there will be much rain, many sudden and extreme fluctuations in temperature, with snow and blizzards and severe cold waves.

Thanks to the Tramp.

The Harrison Tribune tells the following story: "A tramp asked for lodging one night recently at the home of Mr. Glasco, near Smyrna. He was fed and put in the hay-mow to sleep. During the night thieves got in the barn, and were filling sacks with wheat. The tramp was awakened, and chased the thieves away so hurriedly that they left a good team and wagon in the barnyard. Mr. Glasco appropriated the horses and wagon and is some \$200 better off, besides saving his wheat. Thanks to the tramp."

The Well Was Good.

Some time ago a well was drilled at Trail Run, Guernsey county, in search for oil or gas. The well was considered no good and abandoned. Last week some young men in passing thought they detected a flow of gas and proceeded to investigate by placing a light to it. There was a distinct flame several feet in diameter and ten or twelve feet high and it has been burning ever since.—Cambridge Herald.

Lost a Hen.

A neighboring farmer lost a hen a few days ago that was 12 years old. He had kept an accurate record of eggs laid by the hen, which numbered 3000. He also kept a strict account of her feed, and the hen, when she died, was in the farmer's debt \$247.—Exc.

Wheelmen.

The bicycle season is opening in good shape. Traveling salesmen have put in their appearance and established local agencies. Our local wheelmen will this year be increased by several riders, a club formed, and all will join the L. A. W.

Big Sum.

Statistics show that over 300,000 Ohio people visited the World's Fair. At the average of \$40 year head for railroad fare, board, admission to the grounds, etc.—it would be a safe estimate to take out of Ohio, out of circulation, in fact—an average of about \$140,000 to the county.

Lunch Counter.

At his Lunch Counter and Dining Rooms, near the Northern station, Charlie Miller keeps everything in the way of eatables from Sandwich to a Square Meal. Good cooking; quick service. A full line of good Wines and Liquors of all kinds.

Horse Breeding.

Horse breeding has not "gone to the dogs" in this country, nor will it ever go there. What is wanted is a little more brains in the business—a little clearer knowledge of what is wanted, and how to produce it.—Rural Life.

A 6,000-pound piece of red hot iron fell out of an ore buggy at the Wheeling steel plant, Monday, and rolled against young George Turner, of Benwood. The huge piece of metal pressed him against an engine, and before he could be released, burned him to death.

W. R. JOHNSON, the defaulting City Clerk of Steubenville, has been captured in St. Louis, and will be brought back for trial. It is not probable that he will be allowed to get off this time by promising to make good the shortage.

A PROCESSION of hand-cuffed men filed up from the train, Tuesday, in charge of Martin's Ferry police officers. They were the people arrested Saturday night for crap shooting.

For Sale or Rent.

On West Main street, St. Clairsville, O., a large house and grounds. Possession given April 1st, 1894.

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REV. CHESTER SPRAGUE will preach in Morristown Christian church next Sunday, February 4th, morning and evening.

INTERESTING SHORT BITS.

Newsy Items Gathered From Town and Country—Pithy Paragraphs Gleaned From All Sources.

GROUNDHOG day Friday.

CADIZ has 94 business firms.

SOME plowing was done before the cold snap last week.

BELLAIRE is to have another ward to comprise Rose Hill.

ROBERT B. SIMPSON, a young man of Wheeling, died last week.

B. AND O. express trains are guarded by picked men armed with Winchester rifles.

THERE were 446 cases filed in the Ohio Supreme Court during 1893, and 403 disposed of.

THE aged Benjamin Watkins is lying very seriously sick at his home south of Loydsville.

S. J. CAMERON, editor and proprietor of the Carroll Republican, died last week at the age of 46 years.

THE office in the Collins property over CHIT Williams' barber-shop will be occupied by Judge R. M. Eaton.

L. S. POWERS and W. T. Hewetson, Esq., will occupy the office room on the second floor of the Mitchell building.

THE office in the Welday block, formerly occupied by Messrs. Gaston and Campbell, has been rented by F. A. Cope, Esq.

OUR townswoman, J. J. Rennard, became a grandfather Monday, by the birth of a girl at the home of George Berry, at East Richmond.

TWO boys playing with each other in Barnesville, last week, one threw a stone at the other. The missile smashed a \$100 plate glass window.

GUY BROTHERS' minstrels gave their usual good show here last week. The audience was large, and was well pleased with the entertainment.

THE latest quail law is that no quail shall be offered for sale in Ohio. A man may employ another to shoot birds, however, and so evade the law.

THAT oil well at Barnesville has not yet been thoroughly tested as to capacity, and the estimates vary, some being 50 barrels a day and others 75.

EASTER comes on the 25th of March. Had the moon been one day older January 1st, this feast would have been delayed until the 22d of April.

\$2,000 to Loan at 7 per cent. Security must be real estate double the amount of loan. Address Wm. A. McMECHAN, St. Clairsville, O.

MRS. JANE ANDERSON, relict of the late Judge A. W. Anderson, of Bellaire, died at her home in that place on Saturday. She was 70 years of age.

THE C. & L. W. has begun to build its proposed road to enter Cleveland. The new road will be about 20 miles long, tapping the old road at Mallet Creek.

THE House passed Representative Wood's bill prohibiting the killing of skunks without permission of the person upon whose premises they are found.

PROTECT yourself against Tornados by insuring your Buildings with the agency of G. G. SEDGWICK, 6-1-ly Martin's Ferry.

MORE than fifty base ball clubs have already organized for the season of 1894, and they will give employment to about 600 players, whose salaries will run from \$50 to \$650 a month.

MUCH interest is being shown in the new series of Sunday school lessons. At the Methodist school measures are proposed to lengthen the time for the study and discussion of the lesson.

Auctioneer.

J. D. Stewart, Auctioneer, successor to J. N. Clark, dec'd. P. O. Box 237, St. Clairsville, O. 9-28 6m

MISS BLANCH FRAZIER, who formerly lived in this place, will be married at Wilkinsburg, Pa., on February 8th, to Rev. J. A. Burnett.

A BLOCK of \$50,000 of Bellaire, Bridgeport and Martin's Ferry Street Railway bonds was sold to Eastern capitalists last week. The purchasers have an option on the \$100,000 worth left.

FOR SALE—Short-horn Cattle—both sexes. A few choice B. P. Rock Cockerels, and Eggs in season. Also, Burbank Seed Potatoes. ASA H. HOGG, Shepherdstown, O.

JAMES KINNEY's well drilling apparatus was struck by an electric car at Martin's Ferry a few days ago. Every shaft one side the car was broken, and the drilling apparatus slightly damaged.

L. P. BAILEY, of near Barnesville, was appointed one of the delegates from this State by Governor McKinley to meet with others at Cleveland on February 7th to organize a national dairy association.

Money Lender.

Would like to loan a few thousand dollars on good farm security.

A. P. BLAIR, 1-18-31 Real Estate and Loan Ag't.

THE past week has given the young folks a better show than all the rest of the winter combined. There was fine skating, some coasting and much snow-balling, and now the jingle of sleigh bells is heard.

J. D. ARBICK and William Breidenstein returned last week from a two months' journey in Florida, where they have been supervising the setting of several large orchards in which a number of Ohio and Belmont county people have large interests.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Pertinent Points About People Who Come and Go.

—Miss Bessie Jepson, of Wheeling, is visiting relatives in this place.

—Addison Davis, the B. & O. teamster, fell on the ice, Monday morning, and got a sprained wrist, with which he was laid off for a while.

—J. P. Hall was at Barnesville, Friday, attending the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Justice.

—Miss Maggie Kerr was called home last week from Henderson, N. C., by the serious illness of Miss Mary Kerr.

—Dr. Jepson, of Wheeling, called on friends here last week.

—W. N. Coffland, who recently moved from this place to Viroqua, Wis., came in last week. He was accompanied by W. E. Cassen.

—Hon. A. T. McKelvey arrived at home Wednesday. Mr. McKelvey closed his Institute work last week, and on Thursday spoke before the students of the State University.

—Stewart Adams, an old St. Clairsville boy, who learned to set type in THE CHRONICLE office, was in town Saturday. This is his first visit to this place in ten years, during which time he has been working at many of the larger cities, East and West.

—F. A. Cope, Esq., came into town last week, and rightly thinking that there is no place on earth like the old town, will hang out his shingle and practice law among us.

IT Must Be An Error.

There is an idea in Columbus that David H. Milligan, one of the editors of the St. Clairsville Gazette, is an applicant for a position under the national administration. His partner's name had been mentioned in connection with the St. Clairsville Post office, and it is not very probable that both are seeking for place. Besides, Editor Milligan has always been hostile to Senator Brice in and out of the columns of his newspaper, and it is not likely that Congressman Pearson, with whom Senator Brice is on the most cordial terms, will endorse a man who has made himself so obnoxious to the Senator's friends in Belmont county.—Wheeling Intelligencer.

Very odd.

The Democrat notes that Miss Sarah Feeley who lives with her nephew, Jacob Neff, near Blaine is 108 years old. For the last 50 years she has not been away from the farm. She is quite feeble, and has not been able to walk for three years.

The correspondent in speaking of Miss Feeley says: "Often have I heard her relate incidents of her early life, when it was her daily task to go around the grain fields with an old-fashioned horse fiddle to drive out the deer and wild turkeys. The wheat fields then comprised about four acres. The deer were very fond of the green wheat, and in the spring droves of twenty-five or thirty deer would be found grazing on the tender wheat plants."

Bad Order.

Farmers' Institutes have grown so popular that the great crowds in attendance are often hard to manage. Talking, preposterous and ill-timed applause, leaving the room while a speaker is speaking are complained of by Dr. Chamberlain in the Ohio Farmer. We suffered from all these causes here, but not so much as at Quaker City, where the Mayor of the town was obliged to rise up and appoint two constables with instructions to arrest all offenders.

One Way.

One of the curious discoveries of the Post-office Department is that a great many people use the registered-letter system as the means of escape from paying debts. More than 500 cases were found during the year in which complaints of debts were falsely made. Either the contents if enclosed were received, or else the enclosure was admitted to have been left out of the package registered.

At Glencoe.

Machinery was placed in position on Tuesday to begin work drilling the oil well on the Carille farm at Glencoe. The Pennsylvania company backing the project has several thousand acres leased in that locality and propose to make a thorough test for oil. They will drill three wells if necessary. The land was leased by C. N. Lowell, of this city.—Bellaire Democrat.

Innocent Sleep.

Sleep is the indispensable rest of the brain, during which it recovers the substance lost by the wear of the day and gathers up strength. Good sleep is the fundamental requirement for brain health. Every nerve stimulant and, on the other hand, all substances that produce artificial sleep are nerve poisons and are to be condemned by healthy nerve hygiene.

Educational.

There are 25,530 negro schools now in the South, where 2,250,000 negroes have learned to read, and most of them to write. In the colored schools are 238,0